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expresses
Douglas Edwards: Senator McGovern ~~expressed his~~
surprise that the Watergate bugging and spying affair hasn't
produced more public indignation than it has. But it seems
that the White House is still worried about the whole
business. Daniel Schorr brings up up to date.

Daniel Schorr: The White House has been investigating
links by its staffers to political sabotage and espionage
while shrugging off published reports as hearsay. CBS News
learns that President Nixon ordered his counsel, John Dean
III, to reopen the investigation supposedly ended with the
unpublicized report on the Watergate case.

Even before the latest story broke, being interviewed
among others, Dwight Chapin, a Presidential deputy
assistant, and Donald Segretti, identified in FBI files as
having reported to Chapin on his efforts to disrupt the
campaigns of Democratic candidates.

It's believed the Dean enquiry was resumed after
President Nixon was cautioned by acting FBI director
Patrick Gray that the agency established more serious direct
links to the White House than the President might know
about. One Presidential aide, asking not to be named, told
CBS News, "Don't expect the President to admit anything
before the election, but a lot of people at the White House
are appalled at how far things got out of hand."

Daniel Schorr, CBS News, Washington.

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